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June 16, 1988

The Honorable William H. Webster
Director of Central Intelligence
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1016 Ames
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Dear Judge Webster:

As you know, the Committee requires each of its employees, as a condition of their employment, to execute a non-disclosure agreement. Sections two and four of that agreement clearly require Committee employees to protect all classified information to which they have access during their tenure on the staff, including an obligation to submit to the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Committee "any writing" intended for publication to ascertain if any classified information or information provided to the Committee in Executive session (whether classified or not) is contained therein. This obligation further requires that prior approval from the Chairman and Vice Chairman be obtained before any steps are taken to publish.

In accordance with these obligations, a former member of the Committee staff, Mr. Stephen J. Flanagan, has submitted the enclosed manuscript, entitled NATO'S CONVENTIONAL DEFENSES: Options for the Center Region, to the Committee for review. [REDACTED]

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To assist the Committee in its review of this manuscript and in accordance with the Committee's letter to the DCI of May 6, 1988 (see SSCI #88-1869), the Committee requests that you advise us whether the manuscript contains any information which has been classified in the interests of national security. The manuscript should be returned to us within a minimum of thirty days with any classified portions clearly bracketed.

Judge William Webster

Attention:

June 17, 1988

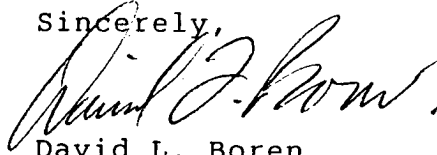
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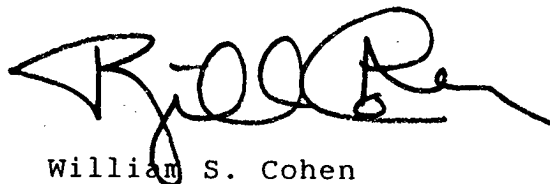
Of course, it should be emphasized that this review is not intended to relieve the author of his obligation to other agencies and departments within the United States Government with respect to whom he may have entered into separate non-disclosure agreements.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,



David L. Boren
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